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held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, A.D. 2009***

REGULAR MEETING of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers, Joliet Municipal Building, 150 W. Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois.

INVOCATION

An Invocation was delivered by Reverend Larry Ellis, St. Mark C.M.E. Church, 348 S. Joliet Street, Joliet, Illinois.

Reverend Ellis then led the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: MAYOR ARTHUR SCHULTZ and DISTRICT 4 COUNCILWOMAN SUSIE A. BARBER, DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN TIMOTHY M. BROPHY, DISTRICT 5 COUNCILMAN WARREN C. DORRIS, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE THOMAS C. GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN AT LARGE JAN QUILLMAN, DISTRICT 1 COUNCILMAN JOSEPH R. SHETINA, COUNCILMAN AT LARGE MICHAEL F. TURK and DISTRICT 3 COUNCILMAN ANTHONY UREMOVIC.

ABSENT: NONE.

ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER THOMAS A. THANAS and CORPORATION COUNSEL JEFFREY S. PLYMAN.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCILWOMAN BARBER moved that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Joliet, Illinois held on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. stand approved as recorded.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS AND AGENDA ITEMS

A. Finance

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC stated the Finance Committee met yesterday and reviewed and discussed the approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held on July 20, 2009. He said there was also a review and discussion on the ticket collection and process. He said the report is not complete at this time and it appears that there is approximately \$300,000 in unpaid tickets. He said this will be brought to the next meeting and will be discussed in full in regards to process and procedure. He said there will also be a standing report coming for citations and fines that are waived by the City monthly and it appears about \$9,000 a month has been waived. He said this will be a monthly report on the agenda.

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COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said there was a review and discussion of health care insurance premiums. He said the report isn't complete but will be in a few days and is being sent by Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He said there was also a review and discussion of the water rate history and an update on the stimulus fund bond options for capital projects which report was given to them this afternoon and will be reviewed. He said there was also a review and discussion of the Neighborhood Improvement Program for July and the monthly cash flow report and personnel summary. He said there also was a review and discussion of the July Conference, Travel and Seminar Report and an examination of the Treasurer's Disbursements and Regular Claims for the month of July.

**B. Public Service**

COUNCILMAN TURK said the Public Service Committee met this morning and reviewed the contracts, change orders, pay estimates and final payments and found them all to be in order and recommended their approval.

COUNCILMAN TURK said the Committee also discussed Council Memo #731-09 and they are asking that this be tabled until the next Council meeting so that staff can provide further information.

1. Authorization to Award a Contract for the County Line Road/Theodore Street (Neustonshire Subdivision) Roadway Improvements Project  
(Council Memo #731-09)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said item be tabled to the September 1, 2009 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

COUNCILMAN TURK said the Committee also discussed Council Memo #711-09 dealing with increasing the water and sewer rates and fees. He said the Committee asked the staff to work up some figures and what they would like to see brought to the full Council is a sample of water bills rather than percentages and graphs. He said they would like to see a sample bill of a senior with all of the exemptions living by themselves and what that bill would be currently as opposed to what it would be with the rebates eliminated and the rate increase. He said also they would like to see comparisons of bills for different family sizes and what the differences would be now and after the new rates and rebates are eliminated. He said because of that the Committee is recommending that the decision on the sewer and water rates be tabled for two weeks.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said they would like to see bills for a single senior and a single non-senior, and then a senior couple and a non-senior couple and then a family of four. He said they would like to know the average water and sewer rate and how much this raise would mean to them.

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The City Manager said we did six scenarios today and we will get those distributed to you either tomorrow or Thursday along with supporting information.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she would like to thank the Committee for that because this is some of the information that she had asked for 10 days ago so we could have looked at it ahead of time for yesterday's meeting.

2. Ordinance re: Amending Chapter 31 of the Code of Ordinances in Regards to Water and Sewer Rates and Fees  
(Council Memo #711-09)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said item be tabled to the September 1, 2009 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMAN BROPHY and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

C. Joliet Area Historical Museum

COUNCILMAN BROPHY stated as liaison to the museum he is pleased to report on their annual progress and he will make this written report available to the Council. He said on the year, the museum lost about \$50,000 and there is about \$54,000 in unrestricted available cash at this moment and about \$51,000 in accounts payable, and that is all related to the Houbolt Exhibit and there is about \$78,000 left in that account. He said so the payables will all be covered by the restricted Houbolt funds that are still in good status as far as financials go. He said he did hand out a few things that reflect the work being done over there. He said museum staff has not had a pay raise or any adjustments since 2008, and admissions are up as reflected in the report as are improvements in all categories. He said the current team led by Interim Director Tony Contos is doing a fantastic job under difficult conditions and tough economic times. He said the report also reflects hundreds of donors who should be thanked and are supporting our museum with us. He said on behalf of the entire Board of Directors, they thank the Council for their continued support.

D. Baseball

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said she would like to know when we're having a Baseball Committee meeting because she thinks we need one.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said it is his understanding that the City Manager has been meeting with Mr. Pete Ferro and he asked the City Manager how things are going with the JackHammers.

The City Manager said they have had ongoing negotiations regarding various aspects. He said the one open item from last week has been resolved with IHSA. He said we're certainly encouraging that we move forward with certain changes and we can bring that to the Baseball Committee or the City Council as

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a whole and we'll take your lead on how you'd like that managed.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he has no problem having a Baseball Committee meeting. He said he knows the City Manager has been meeting quite a bit with Mr. Ferro and he's also met with the City Manager to get an update. He said he has no problem with a meeting or committee members can sit down with the City Manager and get an update.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he would like to see the Council as a whole meet so we can all hear the same information. He said he doesn't think we're getting along very well with the parties at this point. He said he thinks we need to set policy of some sort and we need to do it with all of the information available to us.

The City Manager said he's certainly fine with that.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked the City Manager if they are paying the rent.

The City Manager said no.

MAYOR SCHULTZ asked how much do they owe.

The City Manager said approximately \$270,000.00.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said there are other issues such as structurally and those kinds of things also and who should be making repairs to the stadium.

The City Manager said the baseball team has complained about the condition of the stadium and believes that there is about \$200,000 worth of improvements that need to be made at the City's expense. He said we've had on-going conversations for about 8 months dealing with that part. He said we started down the road of trying to repair the stadium and we had what we thought was an agreement with the baseball team as to how that would be handled. He said rent credits would be given if they were paying for those improvements and that agreement did not result in a good conclusion so we're back to square one.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if any of these agreements are in writing, for a counteroffer.

The City Manager said no, there would not be any kind of formal contracts that would have been entered into as those would have been brought back to the Mayor and City Council. He said a lot of these were business type meetings over a conference room table where there would be agreements reached and then at some point the agreements would not result in what we thought it would result in. He said there are e-mails and there's a letter dated August 14<sup>th</sup> as a result of a meeting he had with management on Friday.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said so negotiations are still going on.

The City Manager said yes, they were in to pay some bills yesterday. He said there was a substantial amount that was owed to the IHSA which was paid Friday and yesterday. He said there is progress being made but the JackHammers are suffering through a bad economy like a lot of businesses and we've been trying to work with them on resolving the financial aspects of running a ball team, but unfortunately we haven't been able to tackle the big chunk of debt that is still owed to the City and that's something that we've been pushing

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for. He said our last face to face meeting was Friday for about 2 hours. He said he had made some offers and compromises and we would come close to an agreement but couldn't quite get over the top.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE asked if another meeting has been scheduled.

The City Manager said we don't have a formal meeting scheduled, no. He said there are phone calls, e-mails and conversations going on and we're trying to resolve it. He said his goal obviously is to resolve the dispute, it's a money dispute and it's something that needs to be resolved. He said we keep working at it and probably have had 15 to 20 meetings over the last 8 months. He said we make a little progress but we don't quite get the whole thing taken care of.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said we're a little bit out of the loop on that and he would like to see where we're at, we're hearing things and not getting any real feedback either way and he would like to see for ourselves what the Council can do in terms of trying to intervene with respect to some kind of settlement.

The City Manager said he'll work through the Mayor's office to get a meeting scheduled.

There were no other Committee reports.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve 2009 Neighborhood Improvement Program (NIP)  
Modification No. 8 – Modification to the 2009 District 4  
Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #697-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve a modification to the District 4 2009 Neighborhood Improvement Program by adding the Rear Yard Drain Project at 404 Navajo Drive in the Thunder Ridge Subdivision (\$7,000.00).

- B. Position Vacancy  
(Council Memo #698-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that he be authorized to fill the position of Equipment Operator III in the Public Works Department and any subsequent vacancies directly related to this position, and ultimately not filling the entry level position of Maintenance Worker.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked the City Manager to explain the new hire.

The City Manager stated there is an Equipment Operator III position that has become vacant due to the promotion of the incumbent to a Foreman position. He said that person was taking the position of someone who retired. He said we now have this upward movement in the Public Works Department and his recommendation is to go ahead and fill the position from within, but when we get to the end of the process that we not fill the entry level position which is a Maintenance Worker so we have a net effect of zero hires. He said this would continue the hiring freeze that we've had in place for about a year now.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said so that's in keeping with our policy at this point.

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The City Manager said that's correct, we do need to promote people to manage the operations and this is one of those cases.

C. Treasurer's Report – June, 2009

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN,  
COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN  
BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 75.63 Acres at the Southwest Corner of Millsdale and Vetter Roads

1. Resolution re: Approving an Annexation Agreement for 75.63 Acres at the Southwest Corner of Millsdale and Vetter Roads (#A-4-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 75.63 Acres at the Southwest Corner of Millsdale and Vetter Roads (#A-4-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 75.63 Acres at the Southwest Corner of Millsdale and Vetter Roads to I-2 Zoning (#A-4-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)
4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Stepan Industrial Park (#P-3-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)
5. Ordinance re: Approving the Final Plat of Stepan Industrial Park Unit 1 (#FP-6-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)
6. Ordinance re: Approving the Recording Plat of Stepan Industrial Park Unit 1 (#RP-6-09/Dist. #4)  
(Council Memo #701-09)

The City Clerk advised that the petitioner has requested that these items be tabled to the City Council meeting to be held on September 1, 2009 to allow additional time to address some issues.

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COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said items be tabled to the September 1, 2009 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN DORRIS.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

B. Public Hearing re: Annexation of 69.3 Acres for Bronk's Landing Subdivision

1. Resolution re: Approving an Annexation Agreement for 69.3 Acres for Bronk's Landing Subdivision (#A-111-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #702-09)
2. Ordinance re: Approving the Annexation of 69.3 Acres for Bronk's Landing Subdivision (#A-111-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #702-09)
3. Ordinance re: Approving the Classification of 69.3 Acres for Bronk's Landing Subdivision to B-3 Zoning (#A-111-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #702-09)
4. Ordinance re: Approving the Preliminary Plat of Bronk's Landing Subdivision (#P-5-08/Dist. #1)  
(Council Memo #702-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained a request by the petitioner that said items be tabled to the City Council meeting to be held on October 20, 2009 in order to finalize outstanding issues with IDOT and the annexation agreement.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA moved that said items be tabled to the October 20, 2009 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILWOMAN BARBER.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR CURRENT BILLS

A. Treasurer's Disbursements – July, 2009 - \$37,481,346.29

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

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B. Regular Claims – July, 2009 - \$2,573,665.12

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the report be received and placed on file.

C. Regular Payroll – July 25 – August 7, 2009 - \$3,251,524.38  
(Council Memo #703-09)

Biweekly Payroll Summary Reports of the total cost of regular salaries for the period July 25, 2009 through August 7, 2009 including a 2009 Overtime Budget Status Report and a Biweekly Summary of Overtime and Temporary Assignments were accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that said Regular Payroll be allowed.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE. (COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN abstained from voting on any items dealing with Silver Cross Hospital)

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

A. ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance re: Approving the Recording Plat of HDPark Joliet Subdivision Phase 1 (#RP-10-09/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #704-09)

The City Clerk noted that this item was approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

2. AN ORDINANCE Declaring 819 W. Jefferson Street as a Public Nuisance and authorizing application to the Circuit Court for demolition, injunction or other relief was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #705-09)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinance be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

(ORDINANCE NO. 16514)

MAYOR SCHULTZ moved the Proclamation up on the agenda at this time.

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- A. Proclamation re: Proclaiming September 2009 as “National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month”

COUNCILMAN BROPHY read a Proclamation issued by Mayor Schultz proclaiming September 2009 as “National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month” and calling upon the people of Joliet to observe this month and support this year’s theme, “Join the Voices for Recovery: Together We Learn, Together We Heal”.

Ms. Sara Ives-Louter and Mr. Paul Lauridsen were present on behalf of the Proclamation. Ms. Ives stated she is a student at Lewis University and is a recovering addict and said recovery is a very important thing in her life and she is fortunate to be standing here today. She then thanked the Mayor and Council for their recognition.

3. Ordinance re: Approving a Variation of Use to Allow a Gift Shop in an R-2 District Located at 464 E. Washington Street (#2009-29/Dist. #5)  
(Council Memo #706-09)

The City Clerk noted that this item was tabled for two weeks at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

4. Ordinance re: Approving a Special Use Permit to Allow a Tattoo Studio Located at 915 W. Jefferson Street (#2009-34/Dist. #2)  
(Council Memo #707-09)

The City Manager stated as a result of the conversations at yesterday’s Pre-Council meeting the staff met with the proposed operator of the tattoo shop and some additional conditions were added as part of the Ordinance. He stated one is that the discrepancy in the hours of operation would be changed back to the original request of closing at 10:00 p.m. rather than midnight. He said also the Ordinance itself would only apply to parcel II to prevent expansion onto parcel I which is vacant without the proprietor coming back for authorization to do that. He said there would also be a ban on neon signage and painted murals on the structure or on the premises and any signs that would be incorporated into the business outside would be subject to City staff review and approval, and the building in its current state as a house would have to remain in its current architectural state. He said all of the other conditions that we discussed yesterday would remain in place. He said the other issue that we’ve added is that this is conditioned upon the repeal of the Special Use Permit that was approved for the current location of the tattoo shop at 650 Ruby Street. He said so if this is approved, that one will get repealed.

COUNCILMAN TURK asked if the petitioner has agreed to these stipulations and the City Manager said yes.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he again questions the repeal of the Ruby Street address. He said he doesn’t know why that has to happen. He said if in fact those folks want to maintain it and there is a petitioner who wants to do that he doesn’t see why there has to be a segue into these two conditions, they’re separate conditions.

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The City Manager said he thinks the intent was not to have a net gain of one as far as having an additional tattoo shop added to that general area and that's why the condition was agreed upon. He said it will be coming back and we've discussed reviewing this with the owner of 650 Ruby Street to see if the owner has any intent to try to attract another tattoo shop there. He said if that happens that matter would have to come back to you for modification of this Ordinance as well as dealing with 650 Ruby Street.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he would ask the same question again then, does the ability or license to operate a tattoo shop run with the building or does it run with the person; he thought it runs with the building.

The City Manager said the building.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said therefore he can't understand why these two would be put together; it's a completely different operation. He asked if staff has had any contact with anyone from Ruby Street with respect to maintaining the current operation.

Mr. Eric Tezak was present and stated he is the owner of 650 Ruby Street.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked Mr. Tezak if he's made any inquiries with the staff to try to maintain the operation.

Mr. Tezak said there is another tattoo shop interested in coming to that same location.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked Mr. Tezak if he has made any contact with staff at this point and Mr. Tezak said yes he has.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he would like to see that issue addressed separately rather than putting the two together.

The City Manager said we could certainly delete the condition in here that requires the repeal of the Special Use Permit at 650 Ruby Street if that is the Council's pleasure. He said they sensed from the discussion that was going on yesterday that the preference was not to see a net gain of one additional tattoo shop in the neighborhood and if it's the relocation of an existing shop it might be more acceptable to the Council.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he would like to see that taken out but he has not talked to anyone and if the Council feels that's inappropriate, fine.

COUNCILMAN TURK moved that said Ordinance be adopted with the removal of the condition repealing the Special Use Permit for the existing tattoo establishment at 650 Ruby Street.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Mr. Bob Nachtrieb of 614 Western Avenue said he is the zoning coordinator for the Cathedral Area Preservation Association. He said there was a group of people here last night who are concerned with the tattoo parlor and over the course of the last day they have tried to do some canvassing of people who live in the area. He said they did get petitions signed by 112 people opposing this,

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but about 1/3 of the people who opposed this would have changed their minds if the hours of operation were reduced and the evening hours were cut back, so that leaves about 70 people who staunchly oppose this. He said they were hoping this could be tabled so a little more work could be done and the citizens who would be affected by this tattoo parlor would have a better chance to make themselves heard.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said item be tabled to the September 1, 2009 City Council meeting.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Mrs. Christie Tomac, part owner of the business, asked that she be allowed to address the Mayor and Council.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said there is a tabling motion on the floor.

The Corporation Counsel said when there is a motion to table a vote is in order at that point and he asked the City Clerk to call the roll on the motion.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS,  
COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, UREMOVIC  
and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: COUNCILMEN GIARRANTE and TURK.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE stated he thinks it's only fair that CAPA had their say and people who want this should have their say.

Mr. Mark Tomac, the petitioner, said he would like to have the petition from CAPA read, he lives in this neighborhood and was informed by a neighbor that there was a petition being passed out. He said to his understanding there is no address on this petition and nothing even stating who they're petitioning against or what they're petitioning for. He said he doesn't know if these people realize what they're signing.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked the Corporation Counsel what are the Roberts Rules of Order here.

The Corporation Counsel said the matter has been tabled and it's concluded.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said so the discussion is over.

The Corporation Counsel said as a matter of courtesy the Council has always allowed an applicant to have a final comment unless the Mayor rules it out of order.

Mr. Emmett Ashley of 1015 Oneida Street said the petition was under the guise that a tattoo parlor was already existing there and they were informing the residents that 7 crimes have been committed there since opening and they were trying to get a problem business out of the area. He said the petition was coerced from the neighborhood through false allegations against a tattoo shop that hasn't even gone through yet. He said they were misled into signing that petition and that petition should be examined. He said someone has a motive for stopping this tattoo parlor from moving and he doesn't understand why because

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we need businesses in that area of Jefferson Street.

5. Ordinance re: Approving a Special Use Permit to Allow the Co-Location of Wireless Communication Antennae Located at 311 N. Ottawa Street (#2009-39/Dist. #5)  
(Council Memo #708-09)
6. Ordinance re: Approving a Special Use Permit to Allow a Wireless Communication Antennae Located at 500 Stryker Avenue (#2009-40/Dist. #3)  
(Council Memo #709-09)

The City Clerk noted that these items were approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

7. AN ORDINANCE Approving Amendments to the Collective Bargaining Agreements with FOP – Police Supervisors, FOP – Police Officers, IAFF Local 2369, IAFF Local 44, AFSCME Local 440 and Operating Engineers Local 399 was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #710-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16515)
8. AN ORDINANCE Amending the Exempt Employee Compensation Ordinance was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #710-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16516)
9. AN ORDINANCE Repealing the Employee Residency Requirement was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #710-09)  
(ORDINANCE NO. 16517)

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that said Ordinances be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: COUNCILMAN SHETINA.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN BROPHY said he grappled with this item and has taken a lot of phone calls and most of them lately from constituents, 100% of whom say we should not remove the residency requirement for employees. He said he talked to somebody familiar with the school board experience and the report from there was that school board and school employees who moved out of the district, while only a few in the beginning, slowly but surly poisoned the workplace by discussions about better school districts, better living in other areas, lower crime and it wasn't a good story to hear. He said as he said yesterday it's too bad that the residency item was attached to the health insurance premium but because we had to do it under the auspices of opening a contract, the employee groups were within their rights to be able to bring back things that they wanted on the table for consideration too. He said by their

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choice they chose to put residency on the table.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said one would think from every phone call he got that these citizens of Joliet would feel like the great majority of the rest and he truly doesn't understand it. He said he thought that in consideration for higher than average wages, short commutes, excellent benefits, extraordinary pensions and stability unparalleled in the job place, that that in and of itself was a good reopener balancer. He said as he understands it if this measure is turned down as agreed to by the bargaining units and the City, we face an uncertain future in negotiating or arbitrating and there are hundreds of retirees that would seriously be put in a position without representation in this process. He said so while it is distasteful, and he's disappointed to the point of disgust to have this connected with it, he understands that to take one step forward in the overall environment and culture of compensation in the public stage here that it's inevitably attached, so he will vote in favor of the motion but with sincere regret that the residency item is attached.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN DORRIS said we may not have liked the residency rule but it is there and the City staff did what we told them. He said he wasn't shocked by it being there, we knew the reopeners were there and this is the best deal we had and really who painted residency in the corner, the Mayor and Council did, it's just a fact and now we want to back up and say what's happening. He said it was the best reopener we had with the money situation. He said now we need to take the leadership and say this is the best deal we could get to try to get the benefits from the health care and we had to give up something and that's what we gave up. He said do any of us like it, we don't like it but all of us knew downstairs this day was coming. He then voted aye.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he agrees with COUNCILMAN DORRIS and as he stated last night he still firmly believes that all City employees should live in the City, however, during his 16 years negotiating for the firefighters he can't ever remember coming back with an agreement that both sides were happy with and he thinks this is a prime example. He said he thinks this is the best agreement we could come to; we didn't have money to pay the bargaining units for their requests and their reopener. He said there is no cost to this and he doesn't think there is going to be a mass exodus of people moving. He said he thinks the effect of this is going to be 10 – 12 years down the road and like he said he doesn't ever remember an agreement where both sides were totally happy and this is the best we could come up with and he then voted aye.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said this has absolutely been a long and drawn out process and she thanked all of the unions and staff for the many hours that have been put into this on both sides. She said as many calls as she has gotten for this she hasn't gotten that many against it, just a few people that were here yesterday and a couple of e-mails and a couple of phone calls, so with our population of 150,000 she would have thought she would have had some overwhelming opposition to this and she has not. She said let's not forget, Will County was the fastest growing County in the nation and people were flocking here and she thinks they're still going to flock here and are going to want to live here and raise their families. She said we had to do the best we could do with what we have and at this point we have nothing, and that's the only thing we had. She said she wanted to thank all of the unions and City staff again and therefore she also votes aye.

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Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he just wants to verify again that he has to vote for all of the items and can't separate them out.

The Corporation Counsel said at this point the motion on the floor pertains to all three Ordinances so if he objects to any portion of it, it would be a vote against all three items. He said it's a collective motion that's before the Council.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he doesn't agree with the fact that he can't vote jointly or separately as he chooses; he can vote for two, or he can vote for one or he can vote for none. He asked the Corporation Counsel if he feels that strongly about it legally that he has to vote one way or the other.

The Corporation Counsel said what he's saying is what's on the floor right now is a motion to approve all three ordinances. He said the Councilman can frame his vote any way he wishes and he's sure the Clerk will record his vote in that manner.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he can not in any way, shape or form vote for outside residency because he thinks it's wrong. He said in 1993 or 1994 there was a young lady that ran a campaign for outside residency and he ran on the other side and we didn't make any real great moves on it, we didn't want it to go outside. He said he doesn't feel any differently today than he did then but today the benefits are so good, the jobs are so much in demand and he believes with 150,000 people in the City of Joliet we have enough people here to hire from within the City. He said he thinks he's more objectionable to the hiring from outside than he is from the inside. He said he sees all kinds of problems with it, he sees all kinds of problems for the current residents of the City of Joliet, he doesn't like it and he will vote no on the whole package because he will not support outside residency. He said his vote is no.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN TURK said he too received calls about the residency side of this whole equation and some of them were from City employees who oppose the opening up of the residency ordinance. He said this came about on the basis of negotiations which means you give something up for what you get and in this case we're going to receive a \$3 million cost savings to the City of Joliet and anything that was going to be monetary was going to diminish that \$3 million savings. He said staff has informed them that if this was turned down and goes to arbitration there is a very good chance we're going to lose and we would be spending more money on it. He said he too would like to thank the staff, the bargaining units and the insurance committee for all of the hours they put in. He said it was a long, tedious process but he will also vote aye.

Prior to his vote, COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said he thinks the bargaining units did an excellent job by stepping up to the plate as there will be a significant cost savings and savings of jobs. He said there are some people that have a counter feeling about residency but when you take it all into perspective it is a good bargaining solution and agreement and he commends both the staff and especially the bargaining units and he then voted aye.

Prior to her vote, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER stated she also thinks it's a very, very rough time and she agrees with everybody up here also but what we have to do now is work it out together and go from there. She then voted aye.

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10. Ordinance re: Amending Chapter 31 of the Code of Ordinances in Regards to Water and Sewer Rates and Fees  
(Council Memo #711-09)

This item was tabled until September 1, 2009 earlier in the meeting.

**B. RESOLUTIONS**

1. A RESOLUTION Declaring Certain City of Joliet Property as Surplus and Authorizing the City Manager to Donate said Property to the Panama City Fire Department was presented and read. (Fire Turnout Coats, Bunker Pants, Boots)  
(Council Memo #716-09)  
(RESOLUTION NO. 6294)
  
2. A RESOLUTION Declaring Certain City of Joliet Property as Surplus and Allowing Vintage Tech Recyclers to Pick up and Dispose of said Property was presented and read. (Computer Equipment)  
(Council Memo #717-09)  
(RESOLUTION NO. 6295)

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that said Resolutions be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN DORRIS, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

3. A RESOLUTION Approving an Agreement with the New Lenox Community Park District for the Transfer of the Park Parcel in Neufairfield Subdivision was presented and read.  
(Council Memo #719-09)

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN moved that said Resolution be adopted.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

(RESOLUTION NO. 6296)

**BIDS AND CONTRACTS**

**A. Award of Contracts**

1. Award of Contract for the Ottawa Street and Williamson Avenue Well Sealing Project  
(Council Memo #724-09)

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A report on two bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Layne Christensen Company in the amount of \$29,474.50.

2. Request for Authorization to Purchase AutoCAD Software  
Subscription Renewals for the Engineering Division  
(Council Memo #725-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of subscription renewals and technical support for ten AutoCAD 2010 licenses and three Map 3D 2010 licenses from DLT Solutions in the amount of \$7,823.64.

3. Award of Contract for the Neufairfield Subdivision Public  
Improvements  
(Council Memo #726-09)

A report on three bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to P.T. Ferro Construction Company in the amount of \$596,805.65.

4. Award of Contract for the 404 Navajo Drive (Thunder Ridge  
Subdivision) Rear Yard Drainage Improvements – 2009  
Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #727-09)

A report on four proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Superior Excavating in the amount of \$6,975.15.

5. Award of Contract for the Rehabilitation of 2118 Dartmoor Drive  
for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program  
(Council Memo #728-09)

A report on six bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Sharp Homes in the amount of \$46,373.81.

6. Award of Contract to Paint the Exterior Trim and Door Frames  
at Fire Station No. 8  
(Council Memo #729-09)

A report on three proposals received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Smith Painting in the amount of \$5,600.00.

7. Authorization to Purchase Water Meters  
(Council Memo #730-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the purchase of water meters and supplies from H&D Waterworks in the amount of \$32,144.00.

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8. Award of Contract for the County Line Road/Theodore Street  
(Neustoneshire Subdivision) Roadway Improvements Project  
(Council Memo #731-09)

This item was tabled to September 1, 2009 earlier in the meeting.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked about the changes made in the unit prices in 3 of the 4 bids received for this contract and he asked if that was the reason for the tabling.

Director of Public Works Jim Trizna said unit prices govern; those three bidders made mistakes when they filled out their bids and that's why we always check them to make sure their calculations are correct. He said the issue we're working on is the affidavit of availability included with the lowest bid and that's why it was tabled.

9. Award of Contract for the Purchase of a Replacement Blower  
for the Biorim Odor Control Vessel in the Influent Building at the  
Aux Sable Wastewater Treatment Plant  
(Council Memo #732-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council award the contract to MK Systems Inc. in the amount of \$5,513.00.

10. Authorization to Approve Payment for the Emergency Bypass  
Pumping at the Essington Road Lift Station  
(Council Memo #733-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$5,920.00 to R & R Septic & Sewer Service, Inc.

11. Award of Contract for the Construction of Two Cumberland Subdivision  
Monument Signs  
(Council Memo #734-09)

A report on two bids received for the above contract was accompanied by a recommendation from the City Manager that the Mayor and Council award the contract to Grate Signs in the amount of \$15,800.00.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN, COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK,  
UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY,  
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NAYS: NONE.

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B. Amendments, Change Orders and Payments:

1. Approve Payment No. 34 for the System-Wide SCADA System Construction Project  
(Council Memo #739-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve the payment of \$5,555.54 with a reduced retainage of \$10,000.00 on behalf of Wunderlich-Malec Environmental.

2. Approve Change Order No. 1 for the Emergency Installation of a 10" Valve for the Force Main at Essington Road Lift Station  
(Council Memo #740-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council take the following actions: 1) Approve Change Order No. 1, an addition to Purchase Order No. 102547 in the amount of \$1,400.00; and 2) Approve Payment No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$8,700.00 on behalf of Geneva Valve Tapping.

3. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Payment Estimate No. 3 and Final for the Golf Road Water Main Project - 2009  
(Council Memo #741-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$2,560.00 and Pay Estimate No. 3 and Final in the amount of \$16,282.20 on behalf of J.S. Alberico Construction Company.

4. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Estimate No. 4 and Final for the Well 10D Rehabilitation Project - 2009  
(Council Memo #742-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$53,314.00 and Pay Estimate No. 4 and Final in the amount of \$20,809.80 on behalf of Water Well Solutions Service Group.

5. Approve Payment Estimate No. 13 for the Parkwood Drive One Million Gallon Elevated Tank Project  
(Council Memo #743-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Pay Estimate No. 13 in the amount of \$83,250.00 on behalf of CB&I Constructors, Inc.

6. Approve Payment Request No. 1 and Final for the County Line Road/Mirage Subdivision Debris Fence System – 2009 Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #744-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Request No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$6,700.00 on behalf of Alliance Fence Corp.

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7. Approve Payment Request No. 1 and Final for the Mirage Subdivision Siltation Removal Improvements – 2009 Neighborhood Improvement Program  
(Council Memo #745-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Request No. 1 and Final in the amount of \$7,500.00 on behalf of Gregg W. Dobczyk Excavating.

8. Approve Payment Request No. 2 for the 2009 Plant Mix Contract  
(Council Memo #746-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Payment Request No. 2 in the amount of \$71,250.49 on behalf of D Construction Company.

9. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Payment Estimate No. 2 for the Deer Run Estates Sump Pump Project - 2009  
(Council Memo #747-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$5,407.25 and Payment Estimate No. 2 in the amount of \$8,701.67 on behalf of Construction by Camco.

10. Approve Change Order No. 2 and Pay Estimate No. 5 for the 2008-2009 Landscape Restoration Program  
(Council Memo #748-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$4,560.00 and Pay Estimate No. 5 in the amount of \$4,110.30 on behalf of Allied Landscaping Inc.

11. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Request No. 6 and Final for the Gael Drive Fire Maintenance Facility Hoist Supply and Installation  
(Council Memo #749-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1, a deduction in the amount of \$6,897.50 and Payment Request No. 6 and Final in the amount of \$18,542.08 on behalf of Standard Industrial & Auto Equipment, Inc.

12. Approve Change Order No. 1 and Payment Request No. 3 for the 2009 Electrical Maintenance Facility Assistance Contract  
(Council Memo #750-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$4,368.00 and Payment Request No. 3 in the amount of \$21,847.90 on behalf of Van-Mack Electric Inc.

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13. Approve Change Order No. 1 for Asbestos Removal at 12-14  
New Street  
(Council Memo #751-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$3,800.00 on behalf of Universal Asbestos Removal, Inc.

14. Approve Change Order No. 3 and Payment Request No. 3 and  
Final for the Theodore's Crossing West Public Improvements -  
2009  
(Council Memo #752-09)

A communication from the City Manager contained his recommendation that the Mayor and Council approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$9,016.24 and Payment Request No. 3 and Final in the amount of \$9,016.24 on behalf of P.T. Ferro Construction Company.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS moved that the recommendations of the City Manager be concurred in.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN TURK.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN SHETINA, TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN  
BARBER, COUNCILMEN BROPHY, DORRIS, GIARRANTE,  
COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

LICENSES AND PERMIT APPLICATIONS

- A. Transfer of a Class "C" Liquor License at 2787 Black Road  
(Council Memo #757-09)
- B. Transfer of a Class "B" Liquor License at 4220 W. Jefferson Street  
(Council Memo #758-09)
- C. Issuance of a Class "B" Liquor License at 106 N. Larkin Avenue  
(Council Memo #759-09)

The City Clerk noted that these items were approved at the Pre-Council meeting yesterday.

MAYOR

- A. Proclamation re: Proclaiming September 2009 as "National Alcohol and  
Drug Addiction Recovery Month"

This item was presented earlier in the meeting.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked if he can get an update on how Silver Leaf is progressing; he's getting calls from the Oakwood Estates Homeowner's Association.

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The City Manager said he met with Jim Sczepaniak of Oakwood Estates last week and the situation there is Lennar, the developer, has agreed to commit \$100,000 to improving the south side of McDonough Street across the street from Oakwood Estates which is the north property line of the Silver Leaf Subdivision. He said we gave the Oakwood Estates residents the choice of either having the \$100,000 go to all landscaping to create a solid visual barrier using evergreen trees, bushes, etc., or we could go back to what was originally approved by the Mayor and City Council and that is a wrought iron looking fence plus some landscaping, but that would not create a visual barrier because of the expense of putting the fence up. He said the homeowner's association came back and said they wanted the fence and they want a lot of landscaping, and really the commitment Lennar made was \$100,000, that's what was approved by Council several years ago, so we're trying to work within that number. He said he told Mr. Sczepaniak that he would be happy to meet with his board and go through all of the information. He said this is one of the rare cases today where we actually have a developer willing to put money on the table to perform a commitment that was made to the Mayor and City Council four or five years ago, and we are having a little bit of a problem honing in on what is reasonable, and that's why we need to keep working with the homeowners association and try to keep them happy, but there is also a budget to work within. He said he will set up a meeting with the homeowners association and get this resolved.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC asked about the enhancements coming into the City.

The City Manager said he's got a proposal on his desk to do the Houbolt Road and I-80 interchange and he will give that to him, but he may be a little bit surprised about the cost. He said we've used Bolingbrook as the model at Route 53, and he was told that cost \$1.2 million to put in, and they have a maintenance expense that is about \$40,000 or \$50,000 a year just to maintain that interchange. He said he'd be happy to give that information out; he just didn't think that this was the economic climate where he could recommend that to the Mayor and Council.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said as long as we have an idea of the cost, maybe we could pare back on it and look at the options.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said he wants to set up a meeting as soon as possible with companies like Commonwealth Edison, the Empress, Caterpillar and others who want to get involved in funding these enhancements.

COUNCILMAN TURK said whatever the company is doing on the detention pond on Infantry Drive seems to be working because it looks like it's clearing up, but the aerator is off and maybe that's part of the treatment, but ever since that aerator was put in it's been a problem. He said it's off as much as it's on, and we have retention ponds that are smaller than that with two pumps. He said maybe that's part of their problem where they just can't handle it but there are a lot of people in the area complaining about that. He said it seems to be clearing up now.

The City Manager said they are treating it with algaecide and a few other chemicals to try to take care of some of the problems with the quality of the water and he knows we have had problems with that aerator. He said he'll ask Mr. Trizna to take a look at it and see if we have another aerator that we can move there. He said this is one of the few ponds that is the City's responsibility; most of the ponds that have aerators are the responsibility of homeowner's

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associations. He said he will follow up on that.

COUNCILMAN DORRIS left the meeting at this point.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said we talked a long time yesterday about combined sewer overflows (CSOs), and he asked what is the recommendation now.

The City Manager said his recommendation is to hold firm in our commitment that we made in the 1980's to tackle the problem of the CSOs. He said we saw a slide yesterday that said when we started the process in the 1980's we had 34 points where we would have an overflow, and the federal government has stepped in and said we can't do that, and they're telling that to 772 communities throughout the United States, it's not just us. He said we've gone through a process and in the mid-2000's we retained Strand Associates to come up with a plan and the Council saw from the presentation yesterday that they have made substantial progress. He said our next step is to keep working with Strand and keep working with the IEPA to get our plan approved and then obviously we need to tackle the funding issue. He said when we've looked at what has gone on in other towns, they've taken on the debt themselves and have done it through a series of rate increases and a lot of other less than pleasant things, but it's something that a lot of towns have tackled and are in the process of doing the same thing that we're doing.

The City Manager said COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC has raised the issue about trying to get money from the federal and state governments and he will get proposals from people who can help us with that who are helping other towns try to secure funding, but he thinks we are at a disadvantage when we try to make our case when the federal or state government looks at our rates and sees that we've not done enough on our end to justify their intervention with grants, so that's why his recommendation to proceed with the rate increase is something that he is still recommending.

COUNCILMAN UREMOVIC said he would rather have them say no to us so that the people in Joliet who elect them hear them say no. He said if we don't even try we've failed the consumer in saying we'll just pass it on to them. He said let that official in Washington say no and come up with a reason why they're giving the money somewhere else.

The City Manager said he agrees 100% with that and he too has been trying for 16 months to get funding for various projects. He said the CSO project is something that is very expensive, it is probably up to a \$50 million project. He said we have a \$15 million project along Black Road to deal with the Bronk and Clare problem that we have; we've already met with the IEPA and were told no there. He said he was not happy with the answers they were giving and he agrees that the solution may be political, and in order to make this political we have to hire the political horses who will be in Washington, D.C. and in Springfield, Illinois knocking on the doors that they can open, and he will be bringing back recommendations on how we can do that so we can go after every penny we can possibly get from the federal and state government.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA asked how Strand is being paid and from what source.

Director of Public Utilities Jim Eggen said this contract was put out to bid and awarded to them in 2003. He said the money for their services has been encumbered. He said they send in invoices for hourly rates and there is a multi-

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rate structure similar to the other water and sewer development contracts that we've had. He said bottom line, their fee is a percentage of the awarded construction cost.

COUNCILMAN SHETINA said he just wants to know what the criteria are and Mr. Eggen said he would provide that information.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said here we are again at another Council meeting and it's her understanding that the rodeo took place on Sunday. She asked if that was true.

The City Manager said he doesn't know, he wasn't up there and he hasn't heard any reports yet.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said they've been allowed to operate all summer long without a permit. She asked why we're not giving compliance tickets.

The City Manager said he thinks there have been arrests made and he's not sure what happened this past Sunday. He said he has had meetings personally with the proprietor of the rodeo and has refused to issue the permits and told him that certain criteria have to be met before he would even consider it, and those criteria have not been met yet.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN asked if tickets have been written.

The City Manager said he is not sure but he can find out.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said since they've been operating illegally all summer long, and the reason it was stated to her was that they needed to operate so that they could pay for repairs, the gentleman that lives downhill from them has had issues with drainage problems and rocks. She said she thinks they have made more than enough money this summer to take care of that issue and she would like to see that taken care of before the next Council meeting.

The City Manager said he can't speak to the gentleman downstream, he knows he came to one Council meeting and we have reviewed his situation, it's nowhere near the situation that the other property owner had. He said as far as the rodeo goes, he's done what he can to stop it.

COUNCILWOMAN QUILLMAN said what she doesn't understand is when they're running, why don't we just shut them down, why do we allow it to continue. She said why don't we just shut it down, they have no permit.

The City Manager said he will confer with the Police Chief and if there are things we can do to shut them down we'll certainly do that.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said in some of his discussions with employees and constituents, the compensation of the Mayor and Council came up as well, and he wanted to do a quick comparison of Joliet and Chicago. He said the Council members in Joliet are paid an annual salary of \$20,000 and that includes insurance benefits just like all the employees. He said the District Councilmen represent approximately 30,000 people, in comparison Chicago Aldermen represent about 60,000 people, yet their salary is more than five times Joliet's, they earn \$110,000 a year. He said on top of that, each Alderman in the City of Chicago is awarded no fewer than 3 full time City paid employees for constituent

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services, and that's one per 20,000. He said in comparison, we have one highly capable employee who is assigned to help us with constituent services for all 150,000 people in Joliet. He said we spend about \$55,000 in support staff and the City of Chicago spends at least \$15 million on those they could identify. He said each Alderman in Chicago is awarded a private office at City Hall and each Alderman has a \$73,280 expense account on an annual basis compared to zero in the City of Joliet. He said he just wanted to call that to attention since it came up in conversations.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said he's sure Councilman Brophy is not bringing that up to support a raise, but because a lot of people have asked the Council to take a pay cut because it was printed in the paper about the average salary of a City employee, but we bring that average salary down.

COUNCILMAN BROPHY said we also have no built in annual pay increase, it's static for the entire time.

COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE said the Guns vs. Hoses baseball game was rained out and he asked if it has been rescheduled; he was told not yet.

MAYOR SCHULTZ reminded everyone about the parade on Friday for the troops coming home.

The City Manager said the parade for the troops coming home has been rescheduled to Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN BROPHY moved that the Council recess to closed session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss personnel after which the meeting will be adjourned.

Motion seconded by COUNCILMAN GIARRANTE.

Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN TURK, UREMOVIC, COUNCILWOMAN BARBER,  
COUNCILMEN BROPHY, GIARRANTE, COUNCILWOMAN  
QUILLMAN, COUNCILMAN SHETINA and MAYOR SCHULTZ.

NAYS: NONE.

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ARTHUR SCHULTZ  
Mayor

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JANET K. TRAVEN  
City Clerk